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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371 AND 37 CFR 1.491**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.
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PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
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TITLE OF INVENTION DEVICE FOR FASTENING A PART, SUCH AS A TROUGH, TO A SUPPORT PART, SUCH AS A SUPPORT PLATE

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US LEON et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)).
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).
11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ Paper Copy
 - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

Items 12 to 19 below concern other document(s) or information included:

12. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
 - ☒ Form PTO-1449
 - ☒ Copies of References (except for U.S. patents and applications)
13. ☒ An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
14. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 - ☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☒ Application Data Sheet Under 37 CFR 1.76
18. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
19. ☒ Other items or information: International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)

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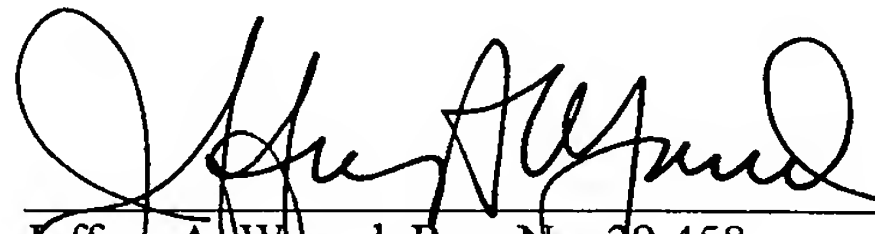
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